CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

MONDAY, MAY 19TH, 1873.

The Council met at 7:30 p.m.; present, His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Moffatt, McDonald, McBride, Smyth, Beattie, Starr, McPhail, Leonard, Brown, Rapley, Shaw, Graydon, Christie, Williams, Cronyn, Egan, Partridge and Partridge jun.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

The following communications were read

From Mrs. Berlough, a widow, seeking remission of taxes. On motion, the request was granted.

From Mr. W. Beresford, stating that he had no income in the city and asking that the taxes paid by him last year be refunded. Referred to Committee on Finance and Assessment.

From Mr. Wm. Olmstead, praying that he be permitted to maintain a frame kitchen recently erected by him within the fire limits. Referred to the Committee on Fire, Water and Gas.

From Mr. John Geoghan, praying the Council to interfere in his behalf and withdraw the prosecution entered against him for erecting a frame building within the fire limits, as he merely repaired his dwelling, which had become uninhabitable. Request granted.

From Major-General Renwick, praying that the obstruction to Trafalgar street caused by the L. & P. S. R. R. be removed. Referred to Board of Works.

From Lt.-Col. R. Lewis, asking the customary grant of $200 to the Band Fund of the 7th Battalion. Granted. All the members voted "yea," except Ald. McPhail.

From Mr. Thos. Pritchard offering to purchase the broken front now occupied by him. Referred to Finance Committee.

From Mr. John Bodkin and fifty others, ratepayers, praying that the plank walk along the north side of Horton street be extended eastward from Waterloo to Burwell streets. Referred to the members for the 5th Ward.

From Mr. Wm. McDonough and others praying that Richmond street and Carling street be included in the street watering contract. Referred to the Committee on Fire, Water and Gas.

From the City Solicitors, their opinion regarding the liability of the city to keep Adelaide street in repair, also the extent of liability in regard to bridges and their approaches. Referred to Board of Works.

From Mr. Thos. Carling and others asking an appropriation to drain Pall Mall and William streets.

Moved by Ald. Christie, seconded by Ald. Williams, that $250 be placed at the disposal of the members of the Ward for that purpose.

Moved in amendment by Ald. Moffatt, seconded by Ald. Rapley that the matter be referred to the Board of Works, with power. The amendment was carried.

From Mr. W. M. Moore and a number of ratepayers praying the council to widen Duke street by removing certain projections, the expenses thereof to be borne by the city.

Moved by Ald. Moffatt, seconded by Ald McPhail, that the petition be referred to the members of the Sixth Ward to report.

Alderman McBride moved the "previous question," which was carried. The vote was then taken, and Ald. Moffatt's resolution to refer to the members of the ward was adopted,

BY-LAW.

The by-law regulating the sale of fish on the market was amended to prevent the sale of that article on tables or stands other than those provided in the stalls.

SALARIES.

The deferred report of the Salaries Committee was taken up, as follows:

Your Salaries Committee beg leave to report and recommend the following salaries for the present year, viz:

City Chamberlain (amended by $1,100, 19th May, 1873) with an addition of $100, for the purpose of paying premium on a guarantee insurance policy.	$1,000

City Clerk	1,000
Police Clerk, Registrar of Deaths, etc.	200
City Engineer with free use of office in city buildings.	800
Hospital Physician (including medicines)	500
Steward and Matron	500
Janitor of City Hall buildings	440
Clerk of weigh scales	600
Auditors, each $60	120
Clerk of wood market	350
City Inspector and Health Officer	500

Your committee have fixed no salary for the assessors, changes in the mode of assessing having been made and additional offices created, your committee was of the opinion that the Finance and Assessment Committees should take the placing of salaries pertaining to assessment upon themselves.

The salaries of the officers and members of the new Fire Department have been already arranged by the Fire, Water and Gas Committee and ratified by the Council.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

D. C. MACDONALD,
Chairman.

On motion the report was received and considered *seriatim*.

Ald. McDonald moved the adoption of the first item "Chamberlain's salary" $1,000 with $100 to pay insurance on guarantee.

Ald. Cronyn moved in amendment that the salary be $1,100 with $100 added for insurance. Carried.

The remainining items passed without amendment.

Ald. Moffatt moved, seconded by Ald. Leonard, to amend the report by adding thereto an item of $600 to indemnify the Mayor for expenses incurred in connection with his office.

Ald. Egan moved, seconded by Ald. McDonald, in amendment that the amount be $800.

On motion the rule of order was suspended to allow the sitting to extend beyond 11 p.m.

Ald. Williams moved to refer the item to the Salaries Committee to report. Carried.

The report as amended was then adopted, and at 11.20 p.m., the Council adjourned for two weeks.